

Information Standards Notice – Deprecation

Further details are given below in relation to the deprecation (phasing out) of an information standard formerly approved by the Information Standards Board for Health and Social Care (ISB).

The deprecation and details for withdrawal have been accepted by the Standardisation Committee for Care Information (SCCI), the successor to ISB.

This information standard should not be used in new circumstances and will be withdrawn on the date given below. It may be that before withdrawal the standard is no longer actively maintained, if this is the case you should assess any clinical safety risks that may arise if you continue to use the standard when it is no longer updated. If you use this standard you should plan for its withdrawal.

Enquiries about this deprecation should be directed to the contact specified below.

More information about SCCI can be found on the web pages of the SCCI Secretariat – <http://www.england.nhs.uk/iscq/scci>

Standard	
Standard number	ISB 1553
Standard title	Read Clinical Terms Version 2
Details	
Date of Deprecation	Read Codes v2 was deprecated as an information standard by the ISB in December 2010 but no formal Notice was issued pending the determination of a withdrawal schedule; this Notice confirms the schedule.
Final updated release	01/04/2016
Date of Withdrawal	01/04/2020
Description	Read Codes are a coded thesaurus of clinical terms. Read Codes have two versions: Version 2 (v2) and version 3 (CTV3 or v3), which are the basic means by which clinicians record patient findings and procedures in health and social care IT systems across primary and secondary care. Alongside the deprecation of Read v3, this Notice announces the final

	<p>release date and date of withdrawal.</p> <p>This was accepted by SCCI at its meeting on 27 August 2014 and endorsed by the National Information Board (NIB) at its meeting on 21 October 2014.</p> <p>Please note the following timescales:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Read v2 ceases to be maintained following the release in April 2016. <input type="checkbox"/> Read v2 is withdrawn in April 2020.
Link to SCCI documentation	HSCIC SCCI Publications
Link to further information	<p>Further guidance about the deprecation of Read v2 and the move to SNOMED CT can be found on the United Kingdom Terminology Centre (UKTC) pages of the HSCIC website: http://systems.hscic.gov.uk/data/uktc</p> <p>The deprecation of the Read codes is integral to the wider NHS strategy for electronic records. Further information can be found in the documents 'The Terminology Roadmap (results of Read consultation)' and 'The Coding Strategy for the NHS' which can be found as part of the SCCI papers at http://www.england.nhs.uk/iscg/scci/scci-meetings-2/scci-meeting-27082014-2/</p>
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